



2011 GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS

General Guidelines

The competition is open to high school students only. Students must be residents of the 6th Congressional District, which includes all of Adams, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Manitowoc, Marquette, Sheboygan, Waushara and Winnebago Counties, most of Calumet County, and parts of Outagamie and Jefferson Counties.

Artwork must be two-dimensional.

Each piece can be **no larger** than 28" x 28" x 4" (28 inches high, 28 inches wide, and 4 inches deep), including the frame. If your artwork is selected as the winning piece, it will be required to be framed and must adhere to the size guidelines. Artwork cannot weigh more than 15 lbs.

Accepted media for artwork are as follows:

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
- Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers
- Collage
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.
- Computer-Generated Art
- Photography

Artwork categories **NOT** accepted for this competition include sculpture, jewelry, ceramics, weaving/fabrics, stained glass and 3D artwork.

Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo (other than the student's own), painting, graphic, advertisement, or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition rules and **will not** be accepted. Work entered must be in the original medium (that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing).

Artwork will hang in the Capitol for the **entire year** of the exhibition and **cannot** be returned to the students earlier. Students should, therefore, submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.

The winning artwork will be professionally framed at no cost to the student.

A fully completed Student Release Form, signed by both the teacher and the student and a parent if student is under 18, must accompany each entry. Additional copies are available at <http://petri.house.gov>.

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All artwork should be titled and submitted with a 3x5 index card affixed to the back with the following information:

1. Student's name
2. School
3. Grade in school
4. Teacher's name
5. Title of the piece
6. Medium used

Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission. In accordance with this policy, exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. It is necessary that all artwork be reviewed by the panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol and any portion not in consonance with the Commission's policy will be omitted from the exhibit. The panel will make the final decision regarding the suitability of all artwork for the Congressional Art Competition exhibition in the Capitol.